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SUBJECT: MIG-25

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1. IN VIEW OF OVERRIDING IMPORTANCE OF EXPLOITATION OF
AIRCRAFT, WE AGREE WITH YOUR ASSESSMENT OF JAPANESE
PROPOSAL AS "BIRD IN HAND". CERTAIN PORTIONS OF PROPOSAL
GIVE US PROBLEMS, PARTICULARLY PHRASE IN PARA 1 (A)
BEING RELEASED FROM THE COMMAND OF THE USF". WE WOULD

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ALSO PREFER TO SUBSTITUTE WORD "DETAILED" FOR "PLACED" IF

POSSIBLE. (PARA 1 SUB-PARA (A) WOULD THEN READ "WITH RESPECT TO THE OPERATION, THE SAID USF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SHALL BE DETAILED UNDER THE EXCLUSIVE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF THE JSDF".) DELETION OF ABOVE PHRASE IS A NECESSITY. SUBSTITUTION OF "DETAILED" FOR "PLACED" IS HIGHLY DESIRABLE BUT NOT ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL. HOWEVER IF GOJ AGREES TO DELETION OF "BEING RELEASED FROM THE COMMAND OF THE USF" PHRASE, AND YOU CONSIDER THAT FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS WOULD HOLD UP ACCESS TO AIRCRAFT, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO AGREE TO STATEMENT WITH THAT SINGLE CHANGE.

2. RE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT, WE INTEND TO FOLLOW LINE

DESCRIBED IN PARA 2 REFTEL (B). WE WILL USE COMMENT SET FORTH PARA 3 SAME REFTEL ONLY ON AN IF ASKED BASIS AND USG SPOKESMEN SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT USE LAST SENTENCE PARA 3 RETEL (B) ("JAPANESE AUTHORITIES ARE, OF COURSE, WELL AWARE OF THE U.S. INTERESTS IN THIS MATTER.")

3. WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATE CONFIRMATION AS SOON AS GOJ HAS MADE ANNOUNCEMENT.
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